CLAIMS

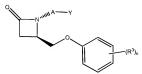
What is claimed is:

A compound comprising

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or a prodrug or a metabolite thereof; wherein Y is an organic acid functional group, or an amide or ester thereof comprising up to 12 carbon atoms; or Y is hydroxymethyl or an ether thereof comprising up to 12 carbon atoms; or Y is a tetrazolyl functional group; A is -(CH₂)₆-, cis -CH₂CH=CH-(CH₂)₃-, or -CH₂C≡C-(CH₂)₃-, wherein 1 or 2 carbon atoms may be substituted with S or O; or A is -(CH2)m-Ar-(CH2)owherein Ar is interarylene or heterointerarylene, the sum of m and o is from 1 to 4, and wherein one CH2 may be substituted with S or O; and

D is aryl or heteroaryl.

- The compound of claim 1 wherein D is phenyl.
- 3. The compound of claim 2 wherein D is chlorophenyl.
- 4. The compound of claim 3 wherein D is 3,5-dichlorophenyl.
- 5. The compound of claim 2 wherein D is unsubstituted phenyl.
- 6. The compound of claim 1 wherein A is -(CH2)6-, cis -CH2CH=CH-(CH2)3-, or -CH2C=C-(CH2)3-.
- The compound of claim 2 comprising



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or a prodrug or a metabolite thereof;

wherein R³ is independently methyl, ethyl, isopropyl, fluoro, chloro, bromo, methoxy, ethoxy, isopropoxy, NH₂, OH, CN, NO₂, or CF₃; and n is 0, 1, 2, or 3.

8. The compound of claim 7 comprising

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or a prodrug or a metabolite thereof; wherein a dashed line indicates the presence or absence of a covalent bond.

9. The compound of claim 2 comprising

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or a prodrug or a metabolite thereof; wherein R³ is independently methyl, ethyl, isopropyl, fluoro, chloro, bromo, methoxy, ethoxy, isopropoxy, NH₂, OH, CN, NO₂, or CF₃; R⁴ is hydroxyhydrocarbyl having from 1 to 10 carbon atoms; and

n is 0, 1, 2, or 3.

 A method comprising administering an effective amount of a compound to a mammal for the treatment or prevention of glaucoma or ocular hypertension, said compound comprising.

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or a prodrug or a metabolite thereof; wherein Y is an organic acid functional group, or an amide or ester thereof comprising up to 12 carbon atoms; or Y is hydroxymethyl or an ether thereof comprising up to 12 carbon atoms; or Y is a tetrazolyl functional group; A is $-(CH_2)_{\sigma}$, $cis - CH_2CH = CH - (CH_2)_{3\tau}$, or $-CH_2C = C-(CH_2)_{3\tau}$, wherein 1 or 2 carbon atoms may be substituted with S or O; or A is $-(CH_2)_{m}$ -Ar $-(CH_2)_{\sigma}$ -wherein Ar is interarylene or heterointerarylene, the sum of m and o is from 1 to 4, and wherein one CH_2 may be substituted with S or O; and D is aryl or heteroaryl.

 A liquid comprising a compound wherein said liquid is ophthalmically acceptable, said compound comprising.

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or a prodrug or a metabolite thereof; wherein Y is an organic acid functional group, or an amide or ester thereof comprising up to 12 carbon atoms; or Y is hydroxymethyl or an ether thereof comprising up to 12 carbon atoms; or Y is a tetrazolyl functional group; A is −(CH₂)₆, cis −(CH₂CH−CH−(CH₂)₃-, or −CH₂C=C−(CH₂)₃-, wherein 1 or 2 carbon atoms may be substituted with S or O; or A is −(CH₂)_m-Ar−(CH₂)_o-wherein Ar is interarylene or heterointerarylene, the sum of m and o is from 1 to 4, and wherein one CH₂ may be substituted with S or O; and
D is aryl or heteroaryl.

 A compound comprising a 4-(aryloxymethyl)azetidin-2-one or a 4-(heteroaryloxymethyl)azetidin-2-one, substituted at the beta lactam nitrogen with a prostaglandin α chain, wherein said compound is active at a prostaglandin EP₂ receptor.